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Reference: 8909/82382

DECLARATION OF GABRIELLA V. KARASZI

I, Gabriella V. Karaszi declare that:

1. I am employed by Darby & Darby, P.C., 805 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10022 as Docketing Manager.

2. I have been informed by Mr. Gerald Brown, Sr., Site Manager for Archer Management Services that, on the evening of Friday, November 16, 2001 a messenger attempted to deposit several of our Express Mail packages at the United States Post Office and that they were not accepted. Thirteen of the packages were addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231-9998. These were not accepted.

3. On Monday, November 19, 2001, I opened each of the thirteen Express Mail packages to enclose a copy of a United States Postal Service Suspension Notice, copy attached as Exhibit A. I did not add anything else to or remove anything from any of the packages. They have remained in my sole possession up to the time of being sealed for re-mailing to the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

4. Attached as Exhibit B is a true copy of our Express Mail Confirmation form for November 16, 2001, signed by Mr. Orlando Catala. On this form is the Express Mail label number of each Express Mail envelope he took to the post office and the initials of the docket clerk who provided the package. On the back is a Messenger Certification, which appears to have been filled in, dated and signed by Mr. Catala.

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I further, declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

Date:

November 20, 2001

Gabriella V. Karaszi
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PATRICK R. DONAHOE
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202 268-5394

November 16, 2001

VICE PRESIDENTS, AREA OPERATIONS
MANAGER, CAPITAL METRO OPERATIONS

SUBJECT: Temporary Suspension of Express Mail Service to
Washington, D.C. ZIP Codes 202 through 205

Due to current operating conditions and government security measures, Express Mail products destined for federal government agencies in Washington, D.C. (ZIP Codes 202 through 205), are experiencing significant delays. Therefore, effective immediately Express Mail service to Washington, D.C., ZIP Codes 202 through 205, is temporarily suspended. The sales of this services is to be discontinued at all retail locations, including Contract Postal Units (CPUs). Customers should be advised either to use First-Class Mail for mail destined for these ZIP Codes or wait to send items until this temporary suspension is lifted.

Business customers will be advised of this suspension through the Business Service Network. You will be advised when this suspension is lifted. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Henry Pankey at (202) 268-5394.

Patrick R. Donahoe

cc: Ms. Bizzotto